

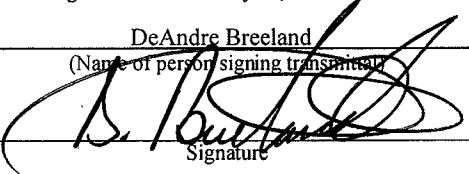
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Tatsunobu Ando  
Serial No. : 10/541,436  
For : FINGERPRINT MATCHING DEVICE AND METHOD,  
RECORDING MEDIUM, AND PROGRAM  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on October 29, 2008, having a  
three-month period for response set to expire on January 29, 2009, please amend the above-  
captioned application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins  
on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.